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Autistic Self Advocacy Network
Who we are

Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN)

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autisticadvocacy.org
Who we are

Disability rights organization run by and for autistic adults.

Part of the larger self-advocacy movement.

All means all.
Our members

Autistic people all across the spectrum
Family members
Educators
Friends & other nondisabled allies
Other people with disabilities
What we do

Policy advocacy & systems change
Self-advocacy trainings
Media & cultural advocacy

Our goal is to change the way we think about autism and the ways we treat autistic people.
Our community’s priorities

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Representation
Inclusion
Self-determination
Our community’s priorities

Focus on the people who are here now.

Services & supports

Communication, health care, quality of life

Across the lifespan, including adulthood & aging
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Nothing about us, without us
  Meaningful inclusion in research & practice
  Community based participatory research
  Apply the same standards you would apply to other groups

Focus on the people who are here now
  Rebalance research funding
  Set research agenda in consultation with self-advocates
  Badly need additional research on services, lifespan, etc
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Ask us!

Self-advocates have valuable insight.

We can save you a lot of time.

We have been discussing communication supports, movement issues, sensory processing, underlying cognitive differences, eye contact, access to services, underdiagnosis and disproportionality, aging, and more for a long time.

Listen to us.